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### Mr. Bennett's Choice

ance-his promise to fight "Hearst, Hylan and the Hohenzollerns"-by aligning itself with anti-war elements in this community. It means that Tammany is willing to sub-

In face of this action, all Mr. Murphy's cannot serve as camouflage. All Judge Hylan's references to his Americanism cannot obscure the plain facts. The members of Tammany Hall undoubtedly are as loyal in this crisis as any other group of men. But the management of the political organization known as Tammany is no more representative of the bulk of its constituency in this than in the ordinary fields of political traffic. The Murphy clique wants to get control of the city's government again. It cares little what methods it uses to fasten its clutch on the treasury. It is willing to accept the aid of Herr Hearst and the Ridders and the O'Learys. It cares little whether a man or a newspaper has served the Kaiser better than this country if now they can be induced to serve Murphy's crew.

have dropped the mask. They have justi- gret that the withdrawal is not more comfied every word of Mayor Mitchel's ac- plete. Yet when the pressure which Concusation of un-Americanism. They have gress resisted is considered, even a partial proved that every vote cast for Murphy's elimination of the notorious second class candidate is a vote for Hearst and the undercharges now in operation is a nota-Hohenzollerns, a vote to give comfort to ble victory for common sense postal reform. Wilhelmstrasse, to stab this country in The beneficiaries of the low rates through

the enemy of America, which have de- cause he had had the temerity to favor the level of their theme they were bound nounced the aims with which this country higher second class charges. entered the war and have vilified this For many weeks it was doubtful whether give to their work something of the eleva-

every reason to believe that most of the vice. In the conference committee, howex-President Taft, of Mr. Hughes, of in administration as well as of raising new "prove" their case. In fact, we may make war posters can have is that men may enlist visit behind the scenes in the library and many, such as H. B. Swope, "Inside the Germany, and to the present enemy of their publications (reading matter alone being the folds of a sheet, Paris discreetly tucked selling bonds? Soldiers who look like lounge Public Library is an institution conducted of the German people. The persuasion will country. The question now is whether Mr. considered, first by one-fourth of a cent it away in the gardens of the Palais Royal, lizards, and Miss Columbias drawn by the solely for the circulation of light fiction for grow that so-called "Realpolitik," which for the Republican candidate regardless of terially to equalize the postage collected true that the "official" monument to Vic-

him and the Republican party while in pler and better to abolish the flat rate for that the statue of Balzac by Falguière. the Legislature. Mr. Bennett's patriotism reading matter as well as for advertising substituted for Rodin's figure, turned out is, presumably, as good as that of any reatter, putting the carriage of all second a dreary failure. Rodin, as it happens, other American-born, American-educated class mail on the same zone system basis has more to say for himself than either "Baker accepts socks cast off by Daniels." citizen. Is he willing to make himself the as was adopted several years ago for the of his rivals. But this is not to affirm that But let the immodest suggestion even of the chief instrument in handing over this city parcel post. Yet the new zone charges on he does anything to invalidate the fundato Tammany Hall and its wrecking crew? advertising will remedy to a great extent mental principle at issue. On the con-Is he willing to lend himself to inspiring the present long haul undercharge on trary, he left it precisely where he found to force the socks upon an unwilling Secretic socks upon an unwilling Secre Berlin with the news of the defeat of periodical publications. It will tend to it. His Victor Hugo and his Balzac have tary of the Navy. It now appears that they structing them after school hours through Berlin with the news of the defeat of periodical publications. It will tend to it. His victor rings and his Balzac have better fit him who stands somewhere in Mayor Mitchel by the Hearst-Murphy- make the long haul distribution pay its their interesting qualities, their virtues, if Stanton's shoes. At any rate, the ladies "Staats-Zeitung" combination?

is not willing to be such an instrument. American newspapers, fought for a scien-He may not withdraw his name from the tific revision of second class postal charges. deplorable mistakes, at bottom their in-He may not withdraw his name from the tinc revision of second class postar charges, deplorable instances, at bottom their in-ballot now—the law says his name must be It has received much abuse for doing so stinct was sound. What they got was un-and the Navy League. The war can now be

Mayor Mitchel, and he can refuse to occasion for that aid has long since passed. missed. sense of public duty and his patriotism.

### How Simply Can You Live?

The great American game of bluff, of of Greater New York:

In war-time. The more it is squeezed out ought to be content to owe its circulation bails and Sunday, a mass 420 Daily only, a menths. 5.80 of our lives and our budgets the more was a special form of art. He is known as a special form of art. He is known as a special form of art. He is known as a special form of art. He is known as a special form of art. I was a strange adventure, coming to me, but a special form of art. He is known as a special form of art. I was a strange adventure, coming to me, smile. Behind him, smile. Behind him, smile. Behind him, smile to government favor or to shirk payment a special form of art. I was a strange adventure, coming to me, smile. Behind him, smile to government favor or to shirk payment a special form of art. I was a strange adventure, coming to me, smile. Behind him, smile to government favor or to shirk payment a special form of art. I was a strange adventure, coming to me, smile to government favor or to shirk payment a special form of art. I was a strange adventure, coming to me, smile to government favor or to shirk payment to government favor or to shirk payment a special form of art. I was a strange adventure, coming to me, smile to government favor or to shirk payment to government favor or to shirk payment a special form of art. I was a strange adventure, coming to me, smile to government favor or to shirk payment our country in the most vital of all ways, of reasonable postage bills. buying its Liberty bonds that make our s so fight possible.

that there are very few of us, even in- whole question of what we can only de- day, but of America and all time? eliminate certain extravagances if we is worth anything-are explicit on the if we felt free to try.

placed on the fact that the Democratic vicious. It is probably an essential part sculpture and the severe stateliness of insure them immunity, but at least they Royal smiled to me! sponding distance downhill. What is ut- style predominant in modern France. operate with much success except in day-Hearst's papers. It means that Tammany has decided to accept Mr. Mitchel's defithat spirit in the least degree, to the dehas decided to accept Mr. Mitchel's defi- that spirit in the least degree, to the de-

talk about the patriotism of members of year's hat. At the top it may mean anyrespected ought to be the family that careful to indicate that what is "monu- sent out in the future. makes the greatest sacrifice of extrava- mental" is, among other things, "imsible scale-and then puts the greatest proportion of its savings into Liberty bonds.

### Lopping Off a Subsidy

One of the most gratifying features of the new war tax law is the partial withdrawal of the present government subsidy Murphy and those who control Tammany to users of the second class mails. We re-

which the government has lost annually Here was a type of the true elder race, The situation extends even further. Of anywhere from \$60,000,000 to \$80,000,000 And one of Plutarch's men talked with us the three candidates in the field against on second class business have been strong-Murphy's candidate and Hearst's, just one ly intrenched. Postmaster General after can defeat him-Mayor Mitchel. Any vote Postmaster General had asked Congress to Lincoln," looks with the same swift inwhich is not east for him will be in effect wipe out the second class deficit by increasa vote cast for Judge Hylan. Specifically, ing charges. Commission after commission realistic fact: any Republican vote cast for Mr. Bennett appointed to consider such recommendawill be, in effect, a vote cast in favor of tions had reported that second class matter Hearst, Hylan and the Hohenzollerns. The was being carried at an appalling loss, But only result of Mr. Bennett's candidacy the periodical subsidists had Congress must be to split the vote which other- cowed. Treating a concession which the wise would be cast for Mayor Mitchel government made years ago, for the pur-

and the fusion ticket, and against the pose of encouraging the spread of infor-Murphy-Hearst ticket. The only aid mation, as a vested right, covering the cirwhich Mr. Bennett's campaign can give culation of vast quantities of advertising will not be to the Republican party, whose matter and of reading matter practically the way, passed through the period of the emblem he will have following his name useless for purposes of public information, Civil War and formed upon Lincoln the emblem he will have rollowing his hand the postal facilities for our troop on the ballot. It will not be to the cause these profiteers flatly defied Congress to judgments of close contemporaries—the and if persisted in simply results in the hardly equals that of a teacher entering of the Lusitania caused at Berlin—there abroad. Mail is not reaching the boys with of good government, which has advanced reduce second class tariffs. They threat- great President is "a type," a being in production of a bigger crop of fools." under the present fusion administration ened with proscription every Senator or whose personality are summed up tremenas it advanced in no other period of this Representative who should vote to destroy dous spiritual and national elements. For may possibly injure them consistent with as it advanced in no other period of this hepresentative who should be add to the Hearst- the second class undercharge privilege, them he was, in essence, monumental, and the fundamental principles of democracy. Murphy crew, now openly and brazenly in They even distributed literature boasting they celebrated his genius in tones expresalliance with newspapers which have that they had been influential in defeating sive of that belief. They could not, as voiced the arguments and the excuses of President Taft for reëlection in 1912 be- artists, have done otherwise. In rising to

nation's allies in the war. It will be aid to Congress would pluck up sufficient courage tion of the man whose greatness they sang. has Washington to pursue a campaign for a candidate who, protesting his own to cut off the newspaper and periodical Must it not be so in sculpture, likewise? the degradation of the public's taste and the a candidate who, protesting his own to cut on the newspaper and the subsidy. The Senate voted at one stage to Is it not the negation of monumental art offending of all persons with mentalities general to become aware of the fact that the Subsidy. The Senate voted at one stage to Is it not the negation of monumental art offending of all persons with mentalities general to become aware of the fact that the Subsidy. The Senate voted at one stage to Is it not the negation of monumental art offending of all persons with mentalities general to become aware of the fact that the Subsidy. The Senate voted at one stage to Is it not the negation of monumental art offending of all persons with mentalities general to become aware of the fact that the Subsidy. same ticket with a man of pronouncedly accept a modification of the House's ra- to portray Abraham Lincoln as a dipso- above that of the troglodyte? "O Liberty! Lib-The bulk of the Republican party is not second class matter. But this was apparach? pro-German. It should not be pro-Hearst ently only window-dressing. It was finally It is always open to the partisans of etess. pro-German. It should not be pro-Hearst ently only window-dressing. It was maily like a lawys open to the partisans of an unconvenional state like Barnard's are so stupid in the matter of posters will be set like by the like are so stupid in the matter of posters will be set like by the like the like by the lik to believe that it will not be. There is the House bill dealing with the postal ser- Lincoln to yammer about the horrors of they not be equally stupid with the money any deluded persons who think that library burned. Republican voters will follow the lead of ever, the need of saving money now wasted ingenuity they can cite instances to with? The only possible use one of those Colonel Roosevelt, rather than the lead of revenue overweighed the fear of reprisals them a present of one or two. When to go to France to escape them. Mr. Bennett, which would give aid and on the part of subsidized publishers. We Rodin executed his statue of Victor Hugo comfort to their traditional enemy, Tam- are to have an increase of the flat rate on meditatively reclining by the seashore in many, and to the present enemy of their publications (reading matter alone being the folds of a sheet, Paris discreetly tucked Bennett himself is willing to lead in that a pound, and then by half a cent a pound, which is to say in comparative seclusion. direction those Republicans who, because But on the advertising parts of news- When the same sculptor produced his even of misguided party loyalty, for reasons of papers and periodicals there is to be a more startling Balzac the Société des Gens "party regularity" which have no place in graduated zone rate, proportionate to de Lettres, which had commissioned it, a municipal election, will insist on voting the distance carried, which will help ma- summarily rejected it. Now, it is perfectly

and the cost of the transportation. Mr. Bennett had a record creditable to We believe that it would have been sim-

own way.

he will not let himself be used to defeat render government aid, even though the poses of a public monument, to what they make a campaign, instead urging voters We are glad to have contributed in any It is, then, not alone because Mr. Barn to support the candidate who stands for way to the mitigation of an ancient abuse, and's Lincoln is revolting as a portrait good government and unquestioned, un- defended by so many other newspapers and that Mr. Charles P. Taft, reputed to be adulterated Americanism. That course periodicals for reasons which seemed to us the potential donor of the bronze, should would be creditable alike to Mr. Bennett's disingenuous and tainted with selfish in- think twice before he allows the committerest. We shall continue to argue against | tee acting in the matter to ignore the prothe flat second class rate, under which a test of Lincoln's son and present it to diminished subsidy is still concealed, and London. He should ponder also this in favor of a complete adoption of the zone large question of artistic manners, this splurge, of pretentious living, has no place system for second class distribution. In principle of framing a public memorial in war-time. The more it is squeezed out our opinion, no newspaper or magazine with a decent respect for the opinions of ought to be content to owe its circulation mankind, for the unchanging traditions of ships talking to each other in the twilight.

cluding those pinched between fixed sal- scribe as artistic manners. These-if the

to simplify them-to idealize him, in a word, and by virtue of so doing to make immediately comprehensible to the world not alone his outward seeming but the oration Ode, thus goes to the root of the

For here in knotted cord and vein I trace the varying chart of years; I know the troubled heart, the strain, The weight of Atlas- and the tears,

Lo, as I gaze, the statured man, Built up from you large hand, appears! A type that Nature wills to plan But once in all a people's years.

Note that to both these poets-who, by

tor Hugo in Paris, by Barrias, is a piti-

there. But he can announce publicly that from publishers who are reluctant to sur- fortunate, but it was nothing, for the pur-

collector of old masters, a connoisseur of as all adventures come, by mere accident. I cious giantess, a gentle though monstrous fine things. Let him, in that capacity, ask had jumped off a tramcar at the end of the maid who once breasted the high waves at himself which statue comes the nearer to Vauxhall Bridge, with an hour to spare and the bows of the old Impérieuse. On Monuments

In the controversy over the statue of Most of us realize this truth in a genderal way. But a good many of us are leading the natural way. But a good many of us are leading the natural way. But a good many of us are leading the natural way. But a good many of us are leading the natural way. But a good many of us are leading the natural way. But a good many of us are leading the natural way. But a good many of us are leading the natural way. But a good many of us are leading the natural way. But a good many of us are leading the natural way. But a good of a September afternoon gleaming looked down the Thames, and saw the barges on two white fourtheads above the gateway. feeling the pinch of high prices to such an London much heat has been expended in Gaudens in Chicago, a replica of which extent that extravagance looks in our own denunciation of Mr. Barnard's production could surely be procured. Before which of an old timber yard. It was the entrance great ships that were once the pride of the cases like a remote and forgotten sin. as a portrait. This is natural and proper. one of them will the people of Great Brit-You can purchase merchandise atvertised in any case THE TRIBUNE guarantees to pay your monier for any case THE TRIBUNE guarantees to pay your monier hack upon request. No red tape. No culbbling, we make upon request. No red tape. No culbbling, we make good promptly if the atvertiser does not.

What is worth accenting and repeating is subject offers a point of attack as vulner-toom. He watched the red sun making pools of blood on the muddy water of the old river, sentative of this country in the Civil War, figureheads of the Orion and the Princers subject offers a point of attack as vulner-toom. He watched the red sun making pools of blood on the muddy water of the old river, and the shadows of the twilight closed about that traits, made manifest in truly heroic for any case THE TRIBUNE guarantees to pay your monier back upon request. No red tape. No culbbling. We make a noise like success, let the bank balance show what it may, is too ingrained to die quickly, and What is worth accenting and repeating is The sculptor's uncouth conception of his ain pause in recognition of the true repre- up to those two great wooden effigies—the heap, as all pride goes at last to the lumber

Reprisals for Air Raids eliminate certain extravagances if we would and who could not live more simply dignity essential to a public monument.

Mr. Lloyd George's promise to pay Gerbell from a sea shell cases and dining tables. The old "wooden walls" of England have become the domestic walls and the compound interest will be a little voice speaking from a sea shell cases and dining tables. The old "wooden walls" of England have become the domestic walls are considered to the car. I glanced sharply up at the Consider the largeness, the grandeur, of go far toward allaying the impatience and Princess Royal, at this placid woman's face furniture of a less heroic age. The American spirit of competition that every great statue that has really withindignation of those who have suffered brush, and it seemed to me that the last rays rules every social community, up and down stood the test of time. Consider the ma-

struction of saving urgently needed by our any vulgar triumph of academic formulas night, and it is well known what end they also (though I admit this was a freak of this old yard. So very weary! In my dreams and distribution of donations independent of overnment.

Over individual creative genius. It has contained by the conta cisely an opposite spirit to the fore in ef things, the natural human conviction at night it cannot afford anything like every community. How simply can each of us live? That ought to be the goal of from the statue in a private gallery or Airplanes are swifter than Zeppeline. campaign chest, but out of the public treasury.

To the left of me was an immense pile of wooden blocks such as burn brightly on the wooden blocks such as burn brightly on the statue in a private gallery or treasury.

Airplanes are swifter than Zeppelins, bearthstones of Mayfair, leaving a whitish competition now. At the bottom of the purely decorative work of art, much more difficult to find and when found are now called ships." scale it may mean one less "movie" or a last year's hat. At the top it may mean anywe are not playing with words, bringscale it may mean one less "movie" or a last when the firelight flickers low and the are not playing with words, bringsuffered by the invaders in all the raids of Tammany who are serving their country thing from last year's limousine to next ing "monumental" forward as a sort of the last week or so was insignificant in out hopes. year's chateau. The amount of needless esoteric mumbo jumbo, behind which we comparison with the loss of a single Zep- hand were chopped up from the timbers of year's chateau. The amount of needless esoteric mumbo jumbo, behind which we spending, the amount of possible saving, is might mean anything we chose. This parpelin, and though it is probable that comparatively few actually penetrated the department. The point is that every it cular word has not only a fixed meaning, paratively few actually penetrated the department. American ought to talk, preach and act but certain inalienable associations. The fences of London itself the defences are warmed, in the glow of faggots which once economy. Every community ought to get same lexicographer who defines a monu- prodigiously out of all proportion to the formed the part of a famous ship on which down to common-sense dressing and com- ment as "anything erected to perpetuate number engaged in the enterprise. It is great admirals went to victory or defeat! mon-sense entertaining. The family most the memory of a person or an event," is probable that much larger fleets will be

The demand for large squadrons from gances and that succeeds in reducing its pressive," thus recognizing the eternal play the front to defend London is hardly realiving expenses to the simplest, most sen- of that universal instinct to which we have sonable. They cannot easily be afforded referred. How clearly the poets drive at for such service, and it would be much more this point! How consistently they por- to the point to spoil the raiders at their tray their hero with an effort to detach source in so far as that is practicable. In generations sculptured the figureheads of our no him from his ordinary surroundings, to the meantime the promise of reprisals, of fighting ships, until iron-built vessels killed Edinburgh charge their every stroke with at once one kind or other, will doubtless tend to their art. They were good sculptors, good at the truest and the loftiest meaning, to free silence the clamor for enterprises of an the core of his character from petty de- entirely futile kind. And a useful form of tails, to synthesize his traits and thereby reprisals is perhaps not an impossibility.

### "For the Good of the Individual" To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: In an address by Dr. Charles H very soul of him. Lowell, in his Commem- Mayo, president of the American Medical Association, in which he favored the enactment of laws prohibiting the manufact ure and sale of alcoholic beverages as a remedy for their excessive use by a small minority of weak-willed people, I find the following statement: "You must remem-Stedman, in his lines on "The Hand of ber that the state is permanent, and does

This sounds like an extract writings of Treitschke or Bernhardi, and it . not surprising that, holding these views. To the Editor of The Tribune. Dr. Mayo should advocate prohibition. But. of the great majority of the people, there remains the question, Does enforced moralremains the question, Does enforced moral-ity tend to the development of self-control quires as high educational qualifications and news of the war's declaration in 1914 had and high moral character? Henry George of the protection of fools city schools. At present the maximum sal- almost unanimous answer of the people, of against the consequences of their own foll, ary of a librarian of senior assistant grade, the Reichstag and of the army. the notion that the people are fools who must be protected by law from acts that

### Our Hideous War Posters

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: As an art lover I wish to register a to respect the integrity of true verse, to protest against the atrocities masquerading as war and Liberty Loan posters. What right tional system of graduated zone tariffs on maniacal peasant with a pain in his stom- erty! How many crimes are committed in thy name!" Mme. Roland was some proph-

salesman, loud, vulgar, offensive, have of

### While the War Waits

(From The Philadelphia Ledger) Tumult reverberates in departmental, ave.

in legislative, halls. Is it of submarines? for? We sacrifice grammar, accuracy and almost gallantry in our excitement. For whom are the ladies of the Navy League knitting socks? Extra, with scare headlines, you like, but they are not monumental; shall sock the army. Their soft mufflers The way out for him is simple, if he Tribune has, almost alone among and though the Frenchmen who gave Bar-shall soothe the disappointed military neck

## Ships That Pass in the Night

By Philip Gibbs

From "Sea-Pie," Published in London by the British Navy League

have heard voices speaking very quietly from old graves. This day a week ago I listened, by queer chance, to the spirits of some famous his admiral's epaulettes and high collar,

of mighty ships."

These wooden blocks on my left

On my right hand stood a number of ships' figureheads, gigantic and rather ghostly the twilight that was now creeping into the up, a mere pygmy to these monstrous figures, I was struck with the calm dignity, the noble gravity of those wooden heads. Vaguely I remembered the Hellyer family whose sons for a portrait, and carving their great blocks of wood with a certain majesty of line and eximmeasurable seas.

I stood looking into the fixed, stern, imhad first been the Windsor Castle, and was upon the timber yard. Charles Napier had issued his famous order her wooden hand clasped her breast. sharpen your cutlasses, and the day is your said: "My soul is an enchanted boat."
own." Next to this figurehead was a gigan. I went out of the timber yard and wondered tic Highlander in the plumed headdress of a at the meaning of her words

Once or twice I have spoken with the ghosts regiment which stormed the walls of Badajoz. of things that men call dead. Sometimes I It belonged to the Edinburgh, which saw looked up to the evening sky with a calm

on two white figureheads above the gateway coming up laden with the huge beams of of mighty ships."

I was startled. There was no one near me, ballrooms. In other sheds men were carving and the words had a curious sighing sound, the wreckage of ships into garden seats, book-

I came out of one of the sheds and was leaving the yard when in the glimmering when this has been the case. There is just one interpretation to be the scale of income, is not altogether jestic, impersonal character of Greek England. It is true that reprisals will not vision. I could have sworn that the Princess placed on the fact that the Democratic members of the Board of Elections have will have the satisfaction of knowing that worted to give four-fifths of their share of hoists a telegrapher into a railroad presithe election advertising to the "Staats-dency—and sends his grandson a corre-Renaissance, and the measured, orderly Until lately airplanes were not able to

that her wood creaked. "The ugliness of them!" she said. "They do not even carry figureheads to give them a living spirit. They no beauty of painted scrollwork or

"They are dead things," said Collingwood. "Dead and hideous as death, even when affoat. Thank heaven, I never went to sea in such iron prisons."

It was the Highlander who next spoke. than our noble ships. They are obsolete by the recital of the vast and multiform work the time they are put into commission. The people pay their millions for old iron. We have seen the Thunderer broken up. We have heard the hammers ripping off the armor plate of many of these metal pots. Soon the dreadnoughts will be here. People say they are getting old-fashioned. Dreadindeed! Give me back the old

Admiral Hood turned his head to the speak-

ing figures, 'Timea are changed, my friends," he said. pression. With placid, farseeing, heroic eyes "Ships will soon have wings and fight in air. these figures still stare away, as though gaz- We are old ghosts, and the world has slipped He turned his head again and stared down

It was the figurehead of the battleship which on the Embankment. Darkness crept down Among the dim then rechristened on the death day of the shadows I saw the white face of the Im-Iron Duke. I was on the ship that Sir périeuse uplifted to the first stars of night, as on the outbreak of war with Russia: "Lads, a faint sigh her voice came down to me. She

# What Our Library Does. 'German People and the War ance of the Red Cross is lived up to, and its will take the trouble to keep the societies.

the fact that ours is a profession which re- 1. The enthusiastic reception which the not a proper function of government, one of the advanced grades of the service, 2. The wild enthusiasm which the sinking

It is an indisputable fact that the assistants in the junior grades positively cannot Planck, of the University of Berlin, says: My son enlisted in an engineer regiment the library staff have been forced to resign in A. Gleason's "Our Part in the Great War," rather serious state of affairs.

portionment, the taxpayers and the public in cruelty."

were it not for the valuable aid that the library gives them. Visit our reference and see the work we do with sturooms dents, teachers, etc.

We hear a great deal concerning the enlargement of the city parks, to keep the children from playing on the streets, and I believe the city has this last year appropriated a large sum for the extension of the playgrounds of Van Cortlandt Park. I wonder if the city officials have any idea of the work the children's department of the library is doing in keeping the children from story hours, boys' and girls' clubs, etc.

To the city officials and the taxpayers we say: Wake up! Become really acquainted To the Editor of The Tribune. with your great New York Public Library. and then our fight for a living wage will b won. HILAH PAULMIER. Assistant Librarian, New York Public Li-

New York, Oct. 2, 1917.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: The librarians of the New York Pub- Sir: If any one desires to be convinced even if it were true that the welfare of the lic Library are launching a campaign for that we are at war with the German people, render any service we may. state justifies sumptuary legislation inter- higher salaries. We are the poorest paid of and not only with the German government,

commander of the U-boat was decorated. 3. Let him consider that Professor Max very general.

New York Public Library is in danger of 1914, Parux is the first village burned, then having to close its doors because of the de- things break loose; one village after another sertion from the staff of so many of our best to the flames; over field and meadow with workers.

Cycle we then come to the roadside ditches, where we are cherries." Corporal Menge

visit behind the scenes in the library and see the enormous amount of routine work that is done, to say nothing of the impor-Those posters are sent out as inanimate that is done, to say nothing of the important that is done, to say nothing of the important that is done. To the large would an animate that is done, to say nothing of the important that is done. To the fort, "Behind the German Veil." They all many people who think that the New York testify to the fact that the war is a war same artists who make the china dolls for homographic serials. H. C. GREENING.

It is a solely for the chicago means organized ruthlessness, terrorism and they don't terr me chough means organized ruthlessness, terrorism and they don't terr me chough means organized ruthlessness, terrorism and they don't terr me chough the amusement of the public, we say, come means organized ruthlessness, terrorism and they don't terr me chough the amusement of the amusement of the amusement of the public, we say, come means organized ruthlessness, terrorism and they don't terr me chough the amusement of the a the use of needy college students who per- and there laudable exceptions; that the Ger- selves these days to new schemes of living. haps could not complete their education man ideal is commercial and political domi- They have been forced to discard old ideas. nation, depending upon a gigantic army autocratically governed. If the reader desires further enlightenment about the real factors at work in this war, let him read E. Hove-lacque's "The Deeper Causes of the War," hide its light under a bushel. It can carry and J. McCabe's "Treitschke and the Great news above the daily concerns of life. War," where he will find out how the German people have become "drunk with the glorious vision of Germany's material greatness, . . . staggering beneath the intoxication of a monstrous and bloody dream, which has

become the dream of all Germany, the collec- To the Editor of The Tribune. tive insanity of an entire nation OSCAR PARDO.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 28, 1917.

### Mr. Bennett's Americanism

The Red Cross Situation

Cooperation Offered in Return for Knowledge of Its Activities

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: In a letter to The Tribune on August 2 last I called to the attention of the public the controversy between the Red Cross and the Seventy-four War Charities, and stated the case of the latter. As my letter was

organizations, that due public recognition should be given to this action. In its recent circular to the War Relief Charities the Red Cross gives the following

yielded to the wishes of the war charity

The Red Cross will accept contributions of such supplies of a general nature as you have heretofore been shipping through the war relief clearing house, and will endeavor to forward them in accordance with the wishes of the sender, but can accept them only with the understanding that where it is impossible or impracticable to make deliveries, as designated, the supplies will be distributed by the American Red Cross in Paris or elsewhere seconding to the most urgent needs.

sible or impracticable to make deliveries as designated" by the donors, that the Red Cross shall distribute according to its best judg. ment and "according to the most urgent needs." This is only reasonable. I hope, however, that for obvious reasons the donating societies will be promptly notified

I am glad to call attention to this decision of the Red Cross for the further reason ted according to the wishes of the donors cently made to me to form a new clearing

given considerable anxiety to many relief so cieties, fearing, as they have, that they would have to go out of business. The duplication of the machinery of transportation and dis-The lady of the Impérieuse shuddered so tribution under a new clearing house organi-"The ugliness of zation would be a pity, and it would seem now to be unnecessary.

It is gratifying to note that the attitude of the Red Cross is now conciliatory and friendly and all that we could ask for. The Red Cross in its circular asks: "May

we count on the cooperation of yourself and your associates?" "We need your help," it adds. I, for one, cannot read the first report "They come more quickly to the scrapheap of the Red Cross without feeling a thrill at which it is undertaking. And surely no one who is a friend of humanity would be willing to hamper it in its splendid endeavor, but

On the other hand, I would respectfully but earnestly call the attention of Mr. Davi son to the necessity of helping, in turn, the War Charities by keeping them informed even if only by a postal card, of the extent and direction of Red Cross activities in the field of each, so that they may know specifically what needs are being covered. In this way duplication of effort and waste of money will be avoided. At present some, at least, of the important charities are not only totally penetrable eyes of the Duke of Wellington. the river which reflected the twinkling lights disregarded in this respect, but they find it impossible to discover what specifically the Red Cross is doing or professes to do. They are obliged, therefore, to mark time and wait, though they might usefully be devoting their money and energy to the relief of distress not covered by the Red Cross. I suspect, too, that many people are refraining from an swering the appeals of war charities for particular relief because of not knowing whether or not the Red Cross is covering that field-

And Why Its Librarians Must Have Proof Offered to Show Whom We posted as to its activities (which, unfortu ately, it has too often overlooked receive from them the help it asks for Speaking for my immediate associates and myself, we shall be glad under these conditions to give it our loyal support and will

MORTON PRINCE. Chairman Serbian Distress Fund. Boston, Mass., Oct. 2, 1917.

Delayed Mail From a Soldier Son To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Apparently something has gone amiss with the postal facilities for our troops upon her first year of service in the city is a special medal to commemorate it. The out considerable delay, and the delay in hearing from them is galling. Complaint is

live on their salaries, which in many cases "The German army is nothing but the Ger- on the Pacific Coast. A letter was received are less than those of the lowest grade man people in arms," . . . and when he August 7 from a train en route, and another clerks in the municipal service. Because of reads some of the war diaries recovered from letter dated August 23 on board ship in this fact thus far this year 21 per cent of German dead and prisoners and well exposed sight of land in Europe nothing since. This son is twenty-two years of age, and has been to seek more remunerative employment-a he must remember that he is reading about absent from home nearly three years. He the acts of the German people, about an army have been very poignant conditions to him that "knows no such thing as undisciplined personally, for he was only allowed a peep below decks through a porthole at his home.

Regarding the mail, I receive letters from a captain of French infantry, and also from a sergeant in the trenches. Why the severe restrictions on our own soldiers?
THOMAS J. DIXON.

Brooklyn, Oct. 2, 1917. Speak to the Whole Man

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: The press, I have understood was an comments on the news, so I read the editorials. Yet these touch my life on two sides only. They tell me about my politics, my economic relationship to the world, about science, art. The change has left fine purposes, but no vision. I think that is what I do not find in the editorials, I read. The press should not

Hurting Suffrage

this it fails to touch the whole man.

Brooklyn, Oct. 2, 1917.

Sir: When Mrs. H. O. Havemeyer by her

utterance tries to hold up the success of the Liberty Loan in her mistaken zeal to aid the suffrage cause she is hurting that cause immeasurably. Such a position as she assumes antagonizes every thinking man in this time of terrible danger and hurts the To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Congratulations on your editorial this time of terrible danger and nurs.

"After Twenty Years!" Good! Isn't it posvery cause she tries to assist. Her German very cause she tries to assist. Her German very cause she tries to assist. Her German very cause she tries to assist. "After Twenty Years!" Good! Isn't it possible to make Bennett withdraw? Isn't he enough of an American? Surely he must be.

W. J. SHILLIDAY.

We York, Oct. 2, 1917.

Wew York, Oct. 8, 1917.